GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2269
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COMPENSATION TO WARDS OF PARA MILITARY SOLDIERS DIED IN KARGIL
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of soldiers of Para-Military Forces killed in Kargil conflict;

(b) whether the jawans of Para-Military Forces killed during the `Kargil Operation Vijay` are being provided the same facilities as are being provided to the jawans of Indian Army who died in action;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons for the disparity?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE

(SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) One.

(b) to (d): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2269 9.3.2000.

As per existing rules, the next of kin (NOK) of the Central Para-Military Forces (CPMFs) killed during Kargil conflict are entitled to the same pensionary benefits as NOK of deceased Armed Forces personnel.So far as the ex-gratia lumpsum compensation is concerned, the NOKs of CPMFs are entitled to Rs. 7.5 lakh in case the person dies in enemy action in international war or border skirmishes or during action against militants, terrorists, extremists etc., whereas the NOK of Armed Forces personnel is entitled to Rs. 10 lakh in case of death during Kargil conflict during the period between 1.5.1999 to 31.10.1999. This is because the Kargil conflict was considered a war/war like engagement in which normally only Armed Forces personnel participate.